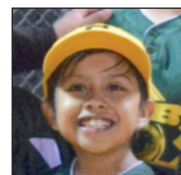




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Emancipation Road, Traveled

by Gloria Walters-Flowers

The Maryland Emancipation Day program was a success. Despite the unusually warm November day, over 50 people chose to head inside. The well-attended event held at the Community Center on Saturday afternoon, November 5, was hosted by the Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee. From the opening call-and-response of the drum to the stories of brave men and women as told by the female re-enactors, for the audience it was like taking a step back in time.

Mayor Emmett Jordan presented a proclamation to the committee. Councilmember Ric Gordon also gave remarks. Dr. Frank Smith, executive director of the



Dr. Annette Blake portrays Lucy Ann Walker at the Community Center on November 5.

African American Civil War Museum in Washington, D.C., shared stories of the 200,000 brave African American men who served in the Civil War.

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PHOTO BY GLORIA WALTERS-FLOWERS

FBI Headquarters

Politicians Rally at Metro Station To Challenge Criteria Changes

by Anna Bedford-Dillow

“The purpose of this is to say ‘This is Prince George’s County!’” U.S. Representative Steny Hoyer told the News Review on Friday, November 4, gesturing to the array of leaders and politicians from across the county who had gathered at Greenbelt Metro station.

County Executive Angela Alsobrooks called the press conference to advocate for bringing the FBI headquarters to Prince George’s County. The line-up of powerful speakers included Alsobrooks, Hoyer, U.S. Senators Ben Cardin and Chris Van Hollen, U.S. Representatives Anthony Brown and Kweisi Mfume, Maryland State Senator Malcolm Augustine, Maryland Delegate Nick Charles, County Councilmember Mel Franklin and Glenn



Politicians from across Prince George's County and the State of Maryland gather at the Greenbelt Metro Station to rally against new GSA site selection priorities.

PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

Ivey, who is currently running for Congress.

The recurrent messages on Friday were the injustice of the General Services Administration (GSA)’s 11th-hour changes to

the criteria they will be using to select the site, and a rallying cry to consider equity. “The state is united,” said Hoyer.

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EPA Group Visits Greenbelt To See Community Composting

by Hally Ahearn

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) visited Greenbelt’s composting operations on Friday, September 30. Brenda Platt of the Institute for Local Self-Reliance (ILSR) contacted Luisa Robles, sustainability coordinator for Greenbelt’s Public Works department, and Hally Ahearn, founding member of the community food scraps and hot-composting programs, asking them to plan for a visit by EPA to see Greenbelt’s composting

projects. Platt directs ILSR’s Composting for Community project, including Greenbelt’s Zero Waste Circle among over 240 other Community Compost Coalition organizations across the U.S. Adam Ortiz, who served as director of the Prince George’s County Department of the Environment from 2012 to 2019 and is currently EPA’s Region 3 administrator, wanted others to see Greenbelt’s community composting operations.

Platt put Robles and Ahearn in touch with Melissa Pennington from EPA Region 3 to plan the September 30 tour. Region 3 includes Delaware, the District of Columbia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia.

First, a Lunch Stop

The visit included a special lunch at the New Deal Café. The EPA entourage included Ortiz with five division heads from Region 3 and eight from EPA headquarters. Other participants were

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Composter Danny Lewis, standing in front of the hot-composting station, explains the process to visitors from the EPA and others on September 30.

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE O'BRIEN

What Goes On

Friday, November 11 11 a.m., Veterans Day Program at the American Legion Greenbelt Post 136. City offices closed.
Monday, November 14 7:30 p.m., City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

See the city ad on page 5 or the meetings calendar at greenbeltnmd.gov for more information.

Annual Public Safety Awards Honor Greenbelters’ Services

by Stephanie Quinn



Award recipients, from left, Sarah Gignac, Kathy Reynolds, Brian Allen and Ryan Aud pose with Police Chief Richard Bowers and members of the city council and Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department.

PHOTO BY STEPHANIE QUINN

Family, friends and colleagues gathered Friday evening in Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 to recognize the service and sacrifice of police, firefighters, public works employees and those who support them.

Post 136 Commander Greg Gigliotti welcomed attendees to the banquet and awards ceremony in Samuel M. Hofberg Hall, and a police color guard presented the Maryland and U.S. flags.

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad honored Kathy Reynolds as Ladies Auxiliary member of the year. Chief Richard Bowers of the Greenbelt Police Department named Officer 1st Class Ryan

Aud police officer of the year and Communications Specialist II Sarah Gignac civilian employee of the year. Transportation operator Brian Allen was named the Greenbelt Department of Public Works’ employee of the year.

The honorees share a joy in serving others.

Reynolds, 79, of Greenbelt, is chaplain of the Ladies’ Auxiliary, but has served as vice president and secretary. She has been part of the Ladies’ Auxiliary for over 48 years.

“It is my joy,” Reynolds said. “To walk in that firehouse ... and to know that I’m a small part of it.”

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Letters to the Editor

A Wild Rumpus Says Thanks

Max and her loyal subjects at Greenbelt Recreation ARTS wish to thank all the magical creatures who participated in the Wild Rumpus on October 28 in Roosevelt Center! We were thrilled to see so many folks come together and create a joyful and enchanting experience for one another.

Special thanks to our performers, who included: Emilia Loo (as Max); her Dad Ken Loo (as the Wild Thing); Black Cherry Puppet Theater under the direction of Michael Lamason with volunteers Judy Goldberg-Strassler and Isah Williams; Dance Captain Mecca Lartigue of the Greenbelt Dance Studio with fellow bats Kian Williams and Zian Williams; and coach Kimberly Bradshaw and the Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars performance jump rope team.

Thanks also to our scenic artists: Niki Kohn, Penny Marshal, Adam Campanile, Lynn Poirier, Doriann Asch and Chris Coyle. Thanks to our on-site Rumpus crew, including staff members Chris Cherry, Amanda Larsen, Patrick Mullen, Anne Oudemanns, Anne Gardner, Abby Jorgensen, Ana Fernandez-Napp, Jan Goldberg, Debra Cope, Leah Cohen, Gaye Houchens and Cathy Pracht, along with volunteers Tom LeaMond, Barbara Stevens, Chris Corson, Niki Kohn, Gary Kohn, Greta Wedge (as the White Rabbit), Mayor Emmett Jordan and Councilmembers Kristen Weaver and Judith Davis.

Thanks to Jerrold Joyner, Hallie Eggleston, Henry Brittan-Powell, LaToya Fisher and our other wonderful colleagues for their vital behind-the-scenes contributions, and to the Departments of Public Works, Public Safety and Public Information for their support. Thanks to Rebecca Oxley and the staff of the Greenbelt Library for their topical reading list (included in every treat bag), and to Sian MacAdam and the Greenbelt Arts Center for their performer hospitality. Thanks to Caitlin McGrath and the Old Greenbelt Theatre staff for hosting a free screening, and to all the participating merchants and nonprofit organizations that welcomed the revelers with treats and warm greetings.

Here's to a year of imagination and good will, until we converge again!

Nicole DeWald, Arts Supervisor
Greenbelt Recreation



A smiling skull amid flowers is a heartfelt tribute on Día de Los Muertos.

PHOTO BY KATHLEEN BARTOLOMEO

On Screen at Old Greenbelt Theatre

Banshees of Inisherin

Set on a remote island off the west coast of Ireland, the story follows lifelong friends Pádraic (Colin Farrell) and Colm (Brendan Gleeson), who find themselves at an impasse when Colm unexpectedly puts an end to their friendship. A stunned Pádraic, aided by his sister Siobhán and troubled young islander Dominic, endeavours to repair the relationship, refusing to take no for an answer. But Pádraic's repeated efforts only strengthen his former friend's resolve and when Colm delivers a desperate ultimatum, events swiftly escalate, with shocking consequences. "Gleeson and Farrell revive their mesmerizing interplay, surrounded by breathtaking Irish scenery and a brilliant ensemble cast," wrote critic Richard Roeper of the Chicago Sun-Times.

Armageddon Time

Among acclaimed Director James Gray's films are Little Odessa, Ad Astra and The Lost City of Z. A native of Flushing, Queens, Gray has returned home to make his most nakedly autobiographical film, a portrait of his upbringing in 1980s Queens as the youngest son in an upwardly mobile Jewish-American family. The coming-of-age story contends with identity, inequality, guilt and complicity – all in pursuit of the American Dream. Banks Repeta plays 11-year-old Paul Graff, a version of the director, with Anne Hathaway and Jeremy as his first-generation parents, Ryan Sell as his antagonizing older brother and Anthony Hopkins as his kindly grandfather, Aaron Rabinowitz.

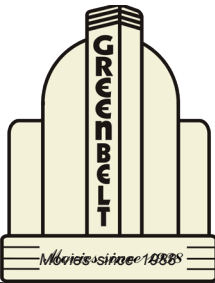
Corrections

In last week's issue, the photo for the preview article about GAC's production of The Last Five Years wrongly identified the actors. The photo shows Joshua Nettinga and Ashley Rudy, who will be performing in the show on November 11, 13 and 19.

Also, in the article about the Wild Rumpus, Maeve Wolfrum's name was misspelled.

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My air-guitar is out of tune.

- M. Kusie

GNR Thanksgiving Ads/Copy Deadline

Thanksgiving holiday schedules for our printer mean the News Review must submit the camera-ready copy to them a day early.

As a result, all published deadlines for copy, photos and ads are ONE DAY earlier than they usually are. The times remain the same.

Out of consideration for our staff, it is preferable that materials come in even earlier than that whenever possible. All efforts will be much appreciated.

The newspaper may be delivered to doorsteps either Thursday or Friday, depending on carrier schedules and printer delivery times.



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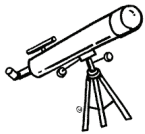
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Community Events

Astronomical Society To Meet Nov. 17

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt’s November meeting will be held on Thursday, November 17. Dr. Caitlin Ahrens will present a talk entitled Pop, Fizz, Bang: Cryovolcanism of Our Solar System. This event is free and open to the public. The lecture will begin at 7:30 p.m. This event is a hybrid in-person/virtual event. The in-person lecture will be in Room 114 of the Community Center. A Zoom link for those who wish to attend virtually will be posted before the event on the Astronomical Society’s event page at greenbeltastro.org/events.



Contribute Food For Hunger Relief

Greenbelt PORCH is continuing its program to collect food in the month of November as scheduled below:

Sunday, November 13. By 11 a.m. at 1-8 Courts Ridge, 1-8 Courts Crescent and 1-2 Courts Westway.

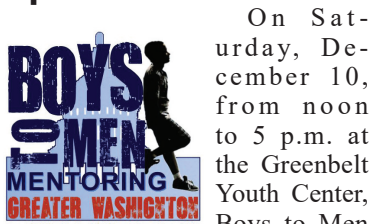
Saturday, November 19. By 10 a.m. for 14 and 15 Courts Laurel Hill.

Sunday, November 20. By 4 p.m. for Boxwood Village and for P.A.L. (PORCH at large) members, including former Woodland Hill donors; by 4 p.m. for 9 and 12 Courts Ridge Road and 11 and 13 Courts Ridge Road; by 5 p.m. for Lakeside Drive.

Volunteers who would like to expand Greenbelt PORCH to additional neighborhoods in Greenbelt are always welcome. The group is particularly looking for coordinators in Greenbelt East. Anyone with questions or who is interested in being a volunteer or starting a new neighborhood for monthly food collection with Greenbelt PORCH can email Robert Goldberg-Strassler at spreadruak@gmail.com.



Mentoring Groups Hold Open House Dec. 10



On Saturday, December 10, from noon to 5 p.m. at the Greenbelt Youth Center, Boys to Men Mentoring Greater Washington and Girls to Women Mentoring Greater Washington will have an open house to sign up and share information about their programs. The holiday gathering will feature free food, gifts and games as well as useful information about this program.

The mentoring program offers a safe place for teen boys and girls to talk about what is going on in their lives and how the group can support them. They offer a place where the young people can talk without being judged or put down – a place where they will be listened to, accepted for who they are and recognized for their unique gifts and talents.

Trained mentors help boys and girls to overcome the struggles of teenage years.

Program objectives are goal setting, conflict resolution, peer pressure, college and career exploration, time management, self-esteem, leadership skills and social skills.

Register early by text at 240-814-5659 or email at shjpos@aol.com.

Toastmasters Meet

The Greenbelt Toastmasters Club invites all to join them online every first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The club provides a fun and friendly environment for anyone interested in improving their public speaking and leadership skills. Learn more at greenbelt.toastmastersclubs.org.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Scouting for Food

This week the Greenbelt Cub Scouts were out and about placing stickers on doors to remind residents that on Saturday, November 12, they’ll be Scouting for Food. Residents are asked to place donations of unexpired, non-perishable items on their doorsteps for collection this Saturday.



PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

Tiger Scout Thomas Powell distributes stickers in GHI.

Unplugged Mindfulness

A mindfulness program will be held on Sunday, November 13, 7 to 8:30 p.m. over Zoom.

What are ways to unplug? One person’s experience on a three-day train ride will be followed by a short talk, leading to general discussion.

The Zoom meeting ID is 869 1887 7769 and the passcode is 016110. To get the Zoom mindfulness link and reminders for in-person events, send an email to events@greenbeltunplugged.org.

Legion Post 136 Hosts Concert Band

On Sunday, November 13 at 2 p.m. the Greenbelt Concert Band will perform a program of popular selections, as well as some that are less-well known, at the Greenbelt American Legion, 6900 Greenbelt Road.

Admission is free. Access the Event Hall from the rear parking lot entrance, which is disability accessible.



Dems Meeting Features Ivey

The Eleanor & Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club’s membership meeting on Sunday, November 20 at 3 p.m. at the Greenbriar Community Building Terrace Room will feature Congressional candidate Glenn Ivey. Ivey will give his thoughts and analysis of the November 2022 local and state elections, as well as results from across the country.

Prior to Ivey’s presentation, club members will vote on the organization’s new board of directors. The newly elected board will be sworn in at the membership meeting on Friday, December 9 at 7:30 p.m. Additionally, possible speakers/programs will be announced for the coming year.

Light refreshments, water and soda will be available. For more information, call Konrad Herling at 301-345-9369.



Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday, November 12 at the City Observatory located at Northway Fields. Viewed through the observatory telescope and astronomical camera, attendees can expect to see Saturn and Jupiter, galaxies, nebulae and star clusters currently high in the sky. All are welcome, no charge. Visitors are encouraged to set up personal telescopes on the hilltop.

Observing will begin at 6 p.m. and continue for two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ballfield lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Chess Club Meets

The Greenbelt Chess Club will meet to play chess on Monday, November 14, beginning at 6 p.m. at the New Deal Café.

All ages and skill levels are welcome. Players do not need to bring a board and pieces, but it is recommended for those who have them.

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Utopia Film Festival

The 18th Annual Utopia Film Festival begins on November 18 with an exciting line-up of new films and filmmaker discussion programs. You can watch some of our fine films from recent years on the GATe station.

Check our schedule on this page. We broadcast locally on cable TV (Verizon Channel 19, Comcast 77) or anywhere on our website at GreenbeltaccessTV.org.

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8am	Democracy Now!	Yesterday's Syndicated Program
9am	Utopia Film Festival Selections	Defending Utopia • Paint as You Like
11am	Greenbelt Newsreel	Community Programming
Noon	Democracy Now!	Today's Syndicated Program
1pm	PGCPS Science Bowl 2022-23	Andrew Jackson v. Kenmoor Middle
2pm	Music in the Roosevelt Center	The Greenbelt Blues Festival • 2022
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Friday, 11/11, Charlie Owen & Pocket Change (R&B Soul), 8 - 11pm
Saturday, 11/12, Jill Fulton Band (Powerhouse Country, Blues, Soul), 8 - 11pm
Sunday, 11/13,
DEAF BRUNCH: Gathering of Deaf and Hearing People. ALL ARE WELCOME!
Michelle Hannan & One Blue Night
(WAMMIE-nominated Country Band), 6 - 8pm

Monday, 11/14, 4 - 9pm
MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION NIGHT*
Discounts on beer, wine & appetizers for NDC members!
Chess Club: All Ages Welcome! 6 - 8pm
Peter Reppert (Local cool cat plays jazz piano), 6 - 8pm

Tuesday, 11/15, NDC Open Mic with Joey Campfire, 6:30 - 9pm
Wednesday, 11/16, **PUB QUIZ: Test Your Knowledge!** 7 - 9pm
Thursday, 11/17, The Potecasi Slade Experience (Funky Blues to Move To!), 7 - 9pm

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Obituaries

Sonia Garin



Sonia Garin

Sonia Garin, of Chevy Chase, Md., formerly of Greenbelt, died on October 31, 2022, at the age of 102. Sonia was born on February 11, 1920, in Braunschweig, Germany. Her parents were Meier and Esther Witkowski, and her sister was Jenni Klein, formerly of Bethesda, Md.

She survived the Holocaust by escaping in 1936 to pre-state Israel as part of the Youth Aliyah program. She lived on kibbutz Tel Yosef and later moved to Tel

Aviv. During World War II she worked for the British Army as a kitchen manager and eventually became the general manager of an officer's club in Jerusalem.

Sonia later reunited with her family in New York and moved to Greenbelt in 1949, helping to build the synagogue Mishkan Torah along with her husband Robert.

She is survived by her children Eva Garin (Jim Cowan) of Greenbelt and Michael Garin (Mardie Millit) of New York City, as well as her grandchildren Bobby Garin, Ari Garin and Ethan Cowan. She was predeceased by Robert Garin, her husband of 46 years. A longtime resident of Greenbelt, she was on the staff of the Greenbelt Cooperator (now the Greenbelt News Review) from 1949 to 1954. Last week the city flag flew at half-mast in remembrance of Sonia.

Charitable donations in honor of Sonia Garin may be made to the American Technion Society (ATS.org).



A foggy morning after Halloween, near the corner of Southway and Crescent

Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration Nov. 23

The Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association (GILA) will be holding Greenbelt's annual Thanksgiving interfaith celebration in person and virtually on Wednesday, November 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ. All are welcome.

To attend virtually, go to ConnectingAcrossGreenbelt.org/GILA and click on the Join Meeting link. All have much to be thankful for and this annual celebration is a traditional way to start the holiday.

Crisis Hotline's New Number is 988

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline dialing code has changed, effective July 16. The new three-digit dialing code is 988 and it's available for phone calls and text messages.

Calls and text messages are confidential and free.

"No matter what problems you're dealing with, whether or not you're thinking about suicide, if you need someone to lean on for emotional support, call the Lifeline," the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline says on its website at samhsa.gov/find-help/988.



Obituaries

The News Review publishes obituaries of Greenbelt residents, past or present.

You write it or we will if you prefer. We try to include information about participation in various activities and organizations, where the person lived and something about the family. A photograph and service information should be included. There is no charge.

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Spiritual Practices in Difficult Times

Rev. Ann Kadlecsek with Liturgist Leo Jones

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1 Timothy 2:1-2

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At the Library

Greenbelt Library regular hours: Mondays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, noon to 8 p.m.; Thursdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sundays, 1 to 5 p.m. In case of inclement weather or other emergency, real-time updates to the Library’s schedule are posted at [pgcmls.info/alerts](#).

Face masks are recommended for all customers and staff over the age of 2 at Prince George’s County Memorial Library System (PGCMLS) buildings.

Ready 2 Read

Wednesdays, 12:15 p.m., ages 3 to 5 (register at [pgcmls.info/event/7234033](#)); Thursdays, 11:15 a.m., ages 2 to 3. Note that the Thursday, November 17, program celebrates Native American heritage. Register at [pgcmls.info/event/7233000](#).

Indigenous Engineering

Tuesday, November 15, 6 p.m., ages 8 to 12 (Elementary students). Become a scientist by conducting hands-on, fun science activities using basic scientific principles. Acompañenos a explorar la ciencia, la tecnología, la ingeniería y las matemáticas.

Student Art

The student art exhibit Expressing Your Superpower Through the Arts is now on display through December 16 at the Greenbelt Library, showing works of art created by local students, grades seven through 11.

The artwork, curated by the Harbor City Maryland Chapter of The Society, Inc., reflects each student’s strong representation of self-power inspired by a powerful role model or through nature. The art pieces were judged by three creative arts subject matter experts.

City Notes

At the Community Center, election machines were delivered and secured. The Concert Band, Greenbelt Assistance in Living (GAIL) Program, Golden Age Club, Public Safety Advisory Committee, Greenbrook Estates and Girl Scouts met at the facility.

Horticulture/Parks vacuumed up curbside leaf piles and posted signs announcing upcoming collection sites. Refuse/Recycling collected 28 tons of refuse and 10.73 tons of recyclables. Building Maintenance winterized the water system at Greenbelt Station Central Park.

With 70-plus confirmed vendors, the upcoming Sparkle Mart is full with a waitlist. Paintings by Peggy Fox have been installed in the art gallery.

Aquatic & Fitness Center staff welcomed a new lifeguard and swim instructor.

Park rangers monitored a senior walk at Buddy Attick Park. Green Ridge House welcomed Police for a safety presentation after a nearby carjacking.

GAIL staff offered dementia information and screenings at Zion Church’s Community Wellness event. CARES staff described their programs and other resources to 50 program participants at Joe’s Movement Emporium in Mt. Rainier.



City Information & Events

The strength of Greenbelt is diverse people living together in a spirit of cooperation. We celebrate all people. By sharing together all are enriched. We strive to be a respectful, welcoming community that is open, accessible, safe and fair.

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
Monday, November 14, 2022 at 7:30 pm

ORGANIZATION
Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Petitions and Requests
Consent Agenda - Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS
Presentations
- America Recycles Day Proclamation
- Military Families Month Proclamation
* Minutes of Council Meetings
- Statement of Record - Closed Session, October 26, 2022
- Statement of Record - Closed Session, November 3, 2022
* Administrative Reports
* Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

OTHER BUSINESS
- Discussion of selection criteria for the Reparations Commission
- Discussion of Legislative Priorities
- Discussion: Schedule for the City Manager search and Community Survey
- ARPA First Time Home Buyer Down-payment Assistance
- ARPA Scholarship Program
- Healthcare Voucher Program
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
* Meetings
* Stakeholders

In advance, the hearing impaired is advised to use MD RELAY at 711 to submit your questions/comments or contact the City Clerk at (301) 474-8000 or email banderson@greenbeltmd.gov

COMMITTEES & BOARDS VACANCIES:

- Advisory Committee on Education
- Advisory Planning Board
- Arts Advisory Board
- Board of Elections
- Community Relations Advisory Board
- Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability
- Park and Recreation Advisory Board
- Public Safety Advisory Committee
- Senior Citizens Advisory Committee
- Youth Advisory Committee

Greenbelt ARPA Funds Assistance Programs Update (as of 10/31/22)

Rent and Utility Assistance
· 366 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$1,820,212.52

Mortgage and HOA fee Assistance
· 16 Greenbelt Households were granted assistance totaling \$56,133.17

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM IN HISTORIC GREENBELT

Check out Greenbelt Recreation’s pre-school program Greenbelt Littles Preschool (*formerly Mom’s Morning Out*). Greenbelt Littles Preschool is a licensed traditional preschool program that focuses on social development, fine and gross motor skills, listening, and following instructions. Greenbelt Littles has a heavy emphasis on learning in a fun way!

We offer our program Monday through Friday at the Youth Center. Financial aid is available for eligible Greenbelt residents. Registration for fall is now open.

For more information, please visit our Virtual Recreation Center online at greenbeltmd.gov/recreation or give us a call at (301) 397-2200.

FREE MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING

Greenbelt CARES currently has DAYTIME hours available, 9 am - 4 pm, for individual counseling for ages 16+ with a waitlist for evening hours starting at 5 pm.

Call (301) 345-6660 or email us at cares@greenbeltmd.gov.





ACTIVE PARENTING OF TEENS

Dates: December 5, 12, & 19
6 - 7:30 pm, VIA ZOOM

Learn the basics of parenting a teen. Plus in-depth discussion of today’s hot topics including ‘what’s going on in my teen’s head?’, ‘how to open lines of communication’, encourage cooperation & responsibility’, & ‘how to discipline effectively’.

To register call (301) 345-6660 or email us at cares@greenbeltmd.gov.

Follow the City of Greenbelt on Facebook and Twitter @cityofgreenbelt! For City information and events visit www.greenbeltmd.gov

MEETINGS FOR NOVEMBER 14-18

Wednesday, November 16, **NO MEETING**

Wednesday, November 16 at 7 pm, **PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**, On the Agenda: Approve October 22 Minutes, Council Liason Update, New Business, Old Business, Recreation Department Update, Administrative Report, Adjourn

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FREE HOLIDAY FOOD BOX
¡GRATIS! DISTRIBUCION DE VERDURAS

REGISTRATION DEADLINE Friday, November 18	REGISTRESE ANTES DE viernes, 18 de noviembre
CONTACT Katherine Farzin (240) 542-2019 or https://forms.gle/bX8oFBxvaRJma5x86	LLAME Katherine Farzin (240) 542-2019 o https://forms.gle/bX8oFBxvaRJma5x86
	
FOOD PICKUP ON Monday, November 21 11 am - 1 pm	DETALLES DE ESTE EVENTO martes, 21 de noviembre 11 am - 1 pm
SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION 6101 Cherrywood Lane	SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION 6101 Cherrywood Lane

COMMUNITY NOTICE

NEW 2-hour parking signs in the area near the dog park on Hanover Parkway.

TEMPORARY SPEED BUMP FEEDBACK

We would like to know your thoughts about the speed bumps on Ridge Road. Please take a few minutes to complete our survey at <https://www.greenbeltmd.gov/feedback>.

If you have any questions, please call (301) 345-5417.

GREENBELT NURSERY PROJECT

This **FREE PROGRAM** is available to families living in the city limits of Greenbelt, newborn to 2 years old, children who wear pull-ups.

Services include: Monthly diapers, formula, baby accessories; baby wellness nursing assessment; baby milestone progress review; information & resource linkage; healthy eating education

For more information, call Katherine Farzin at (240) 542-2019 or via email kfarzin@greenbeltmd.gov

FAMILY FUN AT SPRINGHILL LAKE RECREATION CENTER
1:30 - 3:30 pm, Sundays from September 18 - December 11


Families are invited to enjoy group games and drop-in gym time every Sunday afternoon this fall. Complimentary recreation equipment is available on site. Facility ID is required for participation. Contact Brian Butler at (240) 542-2213.

PUMPKIN COMPOSTING
NOVEMBER 1 - 11

Help reduce the Holiday waste stream by composting your decorative pumpkins and gourds! Five drop-off locations will be available throughout the City from 11/1 – 11/10. Residents are welcome to take their pumpkins to the Northway Compost pile by the Northway Ballfields. **Please do not put pumpkins into the Food Scraps Drop-Off bins by the lake.**

Questions? Contact Environmental Coordinator, Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll at kdriscoll@greenbeltmd.gov.

Greenbelt Pumpkin Drop-off Locations



Black Female RE-Enactors Celebrate Enslaved Women

by Sununu Bah



Patricia Tyson, at the microphone, answers audience questions with Frank Smith, Marquett Milton and FREED members.

Donning a period dress, Joyce Bailey stands patiently waiting, after announcing she is Elizabeth Keckley, as they adjust her microphone in front of about 55 attendees sitting in the Community Center on Saturday afternoon.

Bailey tells a tale of Keckley – the author of *Behind the Scenes: Or, Thirty Years a Slave, and Four Years in the White House* – before she became the freed seamstress and close confidante of Mary Todd Lincoln.

Bailey describes Keckley’s first experience working for her masters at the age of 5. She was tasked with watching over their newborn baby, rocking, fanning and making sure the baby didn’t cry. One day, she rocked the newborn a little too hard until the baby fell out of the rocking chair.

“When the mistress came, she had me taken out and flogged,” she said, as the crowd reacted with disgust.

“That was when I found out what it meant to be a slave,” she said at Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee’s celebration of the 158th anniversary of Maryland’s Emancipation Day, which marked the end of slavery for African Americans in Maryland on November 1, 1864.

“My mother could do absolutely nothing,” she said in front of the crowd that came out to experience the monologues of Female Re-Enactors of Distinction (FREED), a volunteer group from the African American Civil War Museum. The group, which brought out six of its volunteers, is known for bringing female figures from the Civil War to life at Black history celebrations.

FREED co-founder Patricia Tyson, who portrayed Hallie Quinn Brown, said that extensive research is required for the FREED women to embody their chosen character and be able to answer questions about their character.

“It took each of us three years before we did our first performance because we were busy studying as well as we were afraid,” Tyson said.

Christine Bennett, who portrayed African American writer Harriet Jacobs, author of *Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl*, said that she was able to choose Jacobs because of the commonalities between them.

Bennett and Jacobs were both teachers that had children. While Jacobs was involved in the abolitionist movement, Bennett was involved with Delta Sigma Theta, a public service sorority founded at Howard University in 1913, and a number of other public service organizations.

“I just felt that what my mis-

sion is, is kind of locked with what her life was like,” said Bennett.

The Committee, which was founded in 2017, also invited African American Civil War Museum Executive Director Frank Smith and the Soldier of U Street Marquett Milton, who is known for re-enacting Union Soldiers from the Civil War.

Smith, who was born during the “Separate But Equal” Plessy v. Ferguson era in the United States, said that while improvements of the African American condition have been made, the alterations being made to Black history should be examined. Improvements like the election of a Black president, Barack Obama, has had America downplaying the atrocities and injustices that African Americans have faced since slavery and that continue to the present day.

“We’re trying to say that the American nation corrected its own story,” Smith said. “So that they could [...] feel better about themselves because this country has changed.”

Bailey, who is also a member of the Greenbelt Black History and Culture Committee and the Golden Age Club, celebrates her mother in addition to her character in her performance. She said she picked her character, Keckley, in large part because of her mother, who had commissioned a costume representing Keckley’s attire. Bailey’s mother, Lois Alexander Lane, founded the Black Fashion Museum in Harlem in 1979. “She did a tribute to Elizabeth Keckley,” Bailey said,

speaking of her mother’s admiration for the seamstress.

Jeanette Gordy, a retired Greenbelt Elementary School principal who has worked in public education for over 42 years, said that learning of African American history is reserved only for one month – February, the month when Black history is nationally recognized.

Gordy, 82 and a longtime resident of Greenbelt, said that during the month of Black history, only a few historical figures are talked about, such as Booker T. Washington, Harriet Tubman and Rosa Parks. During her time in education, however, she made concerted efforts to teach her students Black history for more than just one month.

“We always had a big celebration in February but as a third grade teacher, I tell my kids that we are Black all year,” Gordy said. “So we talked about Black folk all year. February was just a time to celebrate.”

Lois Rosado, chair of the Black History and Culture Committee, said the symbol of the committee is unity. The committee strives to unite everyone in the community of Greenbelt as equals. “In order to see other people as equals, you also have to appreciate and accept their contributions to the history of your community.”

Sununu Bah is a graduate student in journalism at the University of Maryland writing for the News Review.

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The members of FREED, the Female Re-Enactors of Distinction, decked out in their 19th-century attire, enthralled the audience with real-life experiences of the past. They brought to life stories of lesser-known heroines of the Civil War and shared insightful glimpses into their lives.

The story of Charlotte Scott, portrayed and elegantly told by Marcia E. Cole, gave the audience a peek into Scott’s life and generosity. She was the first donor to contribute to the Emancipation statue, Freedom’s Memorial, located in Lincoln Park in Washington, D.C. The soulful rendition of the old spiritual hymn, *Over My Head*, filled the air as Lucy Ann and Dabney Walker, Union spies, made an entrance to share her story. Por-

trayed by Annette Blake, Lucy shared the heroic actions of Charlotte and her husband as they developed and used an ingenious secret code to benefit the Union Army.

For more on the FREED group and the stories they brought to life on Saturday see Sununu Bah’s article.

The event proved to be an inspirational and educational way to acknowledge and honor not only the official date of freedom for the enslaved in the state of Maryland but also to learn about another brave slice of the American pie.

Gloria Walters-Flowers recently graduated from the News Review’s Citizen Writers Class. Congratulations on her debut appearance in the newspaper.



Mayor Emmett Jordan presents the Emancipation Proclamation.



Fall color at the Lake

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Thanksgiving Ad Deadlines:
Display – Camera-ready Copy:
Monday, Nov. 21 by 4 p.m.
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Friday, Nov. 18 by 4 p.m.
Classified Ads:
Monday, Nov. 21 by 4 p.m.

A Review

MAD Goes 'round the World: Ships, Trains; No Balloons

by Melissa Sites



SCREENSHOT BY MELISSA SITES

A few hours of sleep in a grotto in Borneo is interrupted by serpents! Nakahira, the queen returned from exile, appeals to the gods for help. Pictured clockwise from top left are: Kristi Gardner (Nemea), Millie Tansill (Archibald Corsican), Julia Frank (Nakahira), Cathy Barth (Passepartout), Dave Buckingham (Phileas Fogg) and Hannah Jang-Condell (Aouda).

A Greenbelt production of Jules Verne’s classic tale, *Around the World in 80 Days*, is now available to watch on Zoom, directed by Jon Gardner and performed by Goddard Space Flight Center’s Music and Drama Club (MAD).

Verne is a well-known 19th-century writer of speculative fiction, but this story focuses on the new possibilities that travel technologies, especially trains and steamships, offered to those wishing to circumnavigate the globe. Verne’s novel was published serially in French in 1872, adapted into a play with the help of Adolphe D’Ennery and translated into English in 1874, and performed live online on November 5.

Gardner was enthusiastic about this play because the main characters visit a variety of exciting locations, including a quay on the Suez Canal, a bungalow in an Indian forest, the Necropolis of the Rajas, a room in a hotel in Calcutta, the serpent’s grotto in Borneo, a tavern in San Francisco and the saloon of the steamer *Henrietta* as it crosses the Atlantic near the end of the journey.

The adventures begin when the unflappable Phileas Fogg (Dave Buckingham) bets half his fortune that he will make it around the world in 80 days. His new French valet, Passepartout (the very funny Cathy Barth), is horrified at the journey, because he has just signed into Fogg’s service in hopes that the very regular habits of Fogg will lead to a life of tranquility and leisure for the servant. As Fogg and Passepartout travel, Fogg’s meticulous calculations and unruffled certainty are challenged by circumstances. Fogg’s vast fortune solves many problems, but not without sacrifice. They are joined by the American traveler Archibald Corsican (Millie Tansill),

who may or may not have stolen millions from the bank, and they are tailed by disguise expert Inspector Fix (Mike Heney), who wants to arrest Fogg for the theft.

The clash of cultures surfaces when the travelers reach India. The Europeans are horrified by the practice of suttee and try to help two women, Aouda (Hannah Jang-Condell) and Nemea (Kristi Gardner), escape. Passepartout gives the bon mot, “In France, when widows burn, it is with the desire to marry again.” Fogg offers outrageous sums to purchase an elephant, to obtain passage on a steamship and other shenanigans. While the story supports the idea that the world is getting smaller because trains and ships make travel quicker and easier, Fogg also paves his way with vast sums of cash that are a little shocking to witness. While the play treats the people the Europeans encounter with some sympathy, they are seen through European eyes as exotic and in some ways as relics of a doomed past, with the world moving quickly along toward a Euro-centric future. The travelers’ encounter with Native Americans is too sad to ring with comedy. A redeeming feature of the play is the underlying theme that Fogg actually needs to change. As the play progresses and the challenges met by the travelers grow more and more difficult to transcend, it turns out that friendship and love are more valuable than money and technology.

The show may be seen on Youtube, and MAD accepts donations at madtheater.org.



PHOTO BY DAVE CAMPBELL

Fall trees at 2 Court Northway

A Review

Play Explores Vicissitudes Of Dreams, Love, Marriage

by Carol Griffith

Falling in love. Falling out of love. Dreams come true and dreams go awry. A career that exceeds one’s wildest dreams. A career that doesn’t get off the ground despite one’s best efforts. Such life events are the stuff of modern relationships and the subject of the current play at Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC), *The Last Five Years*.

Through clever, witty song married couple Jamie and Cathy recount the story of their relationship. Jamie tells his story from the beginning of the relationship when he met Cathy, and Cathy begins as the relationship has ended and works back in time to meeting Jamie, which gives interesting perspectives. The two characters meet onstage only once, at the scene of their wedding, in the middle of each narrative.

There are two casts for this show to ensure continuity in these pandemic times. For opening night, the actors were Matt Wetzel as Jamie and AnnaBelle Lowe as Cathy. Lowe brings a beautifully poignant introspection to the relationship while Wetzel’s Jamie commands the stage with



PHOTO BY KRISTOFER NORTHRUP

AnnaBelle Lowe and Matt Wetzel star in *The Last Five Years* at Greenbelt Arts Center.

his high-energy comedic take on life. The intimacy of GAC’s theater lends another level to the emotional highs and lows of the show that might be lost in a larger venue.

Musical director Rolanda Brown on piano and Ethan Hart

on guitar and bass are onstage throughout the performance. Their music is the backbone of the show and their talents are evident.

The play was written by Jason Robert Brown, who has won numerous awards for his work on and off Broadway. The *Last Five Years* won Time Magazine’s award for 10 Best Plays of 2001 and also won awards for best music and best lyrics.

In her remarks before the opening night performance, Pamela Northrup, producer of *The Last Five Years* and member of GAC’s board, announced that the play is the first in-person GAC-produced show since 2020, and said, “We’re back!” With this production, GAC is off to a great new beginning.

Performances will take place at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, November 11 and 12, 18 and 19, and Sunday, November 13 at 2 p.m. Talkbacks with the cast and production team will follow the November 13 performance. Some language in the play may be offensive to certain viewers. Masks are required in the GAC at all times.



PHOTO BY BELLA CAROLINA

Sitting Either Side, approaching the peninsula, Greenbelt Lake



The New Deal Cafe Wins City Paper Readers' Picks!

2019 Best of... 2020 Best of ... And now, once again, 2022 Best of... Washington City Paper Best of Readers' Poll!

WINNER:

"BEST PLACE TO EXPERIENCE LOCAL MUSIC" "BEST PLACE TO HAVE DINNER W/ LIVE MUSIC"

FINALIST:

"BEST MUSIC VENUE" "BEST JAZZ/BLUES VENUE"

FRIENDS OF NEW DEAL CAFE ARTS (FONDCA):

FINALIST:

"BEST MUSIC FESTIVAL" (Greenbelt Blues Festival)



Our thanks to all who showed support for the New Deal Cafe! We're truly honored and touched to be recognized in these categories. We're looking forward to another great year of great food and great entertainment!

New Deal Cafe, 113 Centerway, Roosevelt Center, Greenbelt, MD 20770 www.newdealcafe.com "Nourished by the Greenbelt Co-op"

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from the Prince George’s County Department of the Environment and the State of Maryland Environmental Services office; Platt and others from ILSR; Frank Franciosi, executive director of the U.S. Composting Council; Greenbelt Public Works’ Robles and Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll; and leaders from Greenbelt’s composting operations: Ahearn, Beth LeaMond, Danny Lewis, Stephanie O’Brien, Lore Rosenthal and Councilmember Kristen Weaver.

During lunch, Platt spoke about the importance of community composting in the hierarchy of methods to manage organic food waste recycling. Dan Gillette, Co-op Supermarket manager and New Deal Café food service manager, spoke about how his staff sets aside food waste from the produce section and fills five-gallon buckets for pickup. Gillette commented that he hopes to have more produce that can be kept from the landfill in the future.

Hot Composting

After lunch, a walking tour of the Roosevelt Center composting operation began with a quick sashay past the grocery’s loading dock where the buckets are routinely picked up by volunteers dubbed “The Wigglers.” Then the tour group ambled toward the hot-composting station that sits near the Aquatic Center.

At the station, Lewis, who organizes and monitors the hot-composting operation, explained that about every six weeks, a balanced formula of leaves, wood chips and food waste gets mixed and added to fill one whole bin. Volunteers include high school students earning service-learning credit and school-age children and their parents who weigh buckets, chop food for the mix and clean the 50 or more food buckets – from 600 to over 900 pounds of food waste per session. So far this year, 5,971 pounds have been diverted.

Vermicompost

Next, the group headed up the hill past The Granite Building to the loading dock of the New Deal Café where the namesake red “wigglers” reside in three large green bins. There, LeaMond explained how the hot-composting operation guarantees temperatures above 131 degrees Fahrenheit to kill pathogens and seeds. Once cooled, the compost is a mix much like that of the red wigglers’ diet in the wild. The worms reprocess the compost, adding microbes from their digestive tracts and douse the mix with their castings, adding elevated levels of many microbes and plant nutrients like nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium – organically grown versions of the “NPK” found in chemical fertilizers. The microbes continue to produce these nutrients as they ingest and populate the soil to which this vermicompost is applied. The visitors were gifted a re-labeled coffee bag containing a quart of this valuable soil amendment.

More Hot Composting

Next, the tour visited the Springhill Lake Recreation Center site, where members drop off their food scraps and hold composting workdays using another three-bin hot-composting station. As the group gathered, Rosenthal pointed out the city’s green enhancements to this site: a solar roof on the Recreation Center,



Beth LeaMond explains care and feeding of red wigglers and making use of the valuable vermicompost.



Adam Ortiz, EPA Region 3 administrator, waves good-bye from Springhill Lake Recreation Center.



Worm compost is available at the table near the New Deal during the Farmers Market.



the permeable pavement of the parking lot, the electric vehicle charging stations, the huge rain barrel and the rain gardens that collect runoff at the foot of the parking lot.

Rosenthal explained the importance of the application process and the training program required for membership in the food scraps drop-off program. Members learn how hot-composting works; what food wastes are acceptable at a public site; how to weigh, log, then drop off and cover their food scraps with an equal mix of leaves and wood chips in bin 1. These volunteers, some who joined the project in 2018 when Public Works built and placed this first hot-compost station, are dubbed “The Hots.”

Weaver explained how the hot-composting cook happens after the transfer from bin 1 to bin 2, and the curing phase that happens after the compost has cooled down and is transferred to bin 3 for curing. Weaver stressed the importance of the logs and taking the temperatures of the bins to ascertain when cooking, cooling and curing are complete. The group learned about sifting workdays, when the compost is rotated using a trommel sifter built by Greenbelter Michael Travis. Sifted compost is bagged for distribution in free hops bags from Franklin’s Brewery in Hyattsville.

Compost Distribution

Both projects distribute compost and vermicompost: first to workday participants, to members who request some, to each of the Three Sisters Gardens in Greenbelt, the Food Forest and to Greenbelt’s community gardeners whose plots were established in 1937 as an integral part of the green town plan. Vermicompost is also available at the Farmers Market table in exchange for a recommended donation of \$5 per quart to the New Deal Café.

In environmental lingo, local

distribution of the compost is called “closing the loop.” Organic waste is diverted from the landfill, where it creates methane, a potent greenhouse gas. Composting locally reduces hauling and keeps the resource in the community as a valuable soil amendment.

Greenbelters interested in joining the food-scraps drop-off program (The Hots) may send an email to GreenbeltNeighborhoodCompost@gmail.com. Those interested in helping with the Roosevelt Center food diversion and worm-composting program (The Wigglers) may send an email to NewDealWigglers@gmail.com.

Artful Afternoon



Isobel Taylor shares her completed leaf print at the Artful Afternoon on November 6 at the Community Center.



A young participant peels up a leaf, revealing her teal blue leaf print underneath.

- Photos by Amanda Demos Larsen

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Meetings of the GHI and GDC Boards of Directors on November 17, 2022

GHI Closed Meeting – starts at 7:00 p.m. - closed to members and visitors

- a) Approve Minutes of the Closed Meeting Held on October 6, 2022
- b) Request to Allow Two Non-Members to Reside Temporarily in a GHI unit.
- c) Complaint Matters

GDC Open Meeting -starts at 7:45 p.m. – open to visitors and members

- a) Consider adoption of the GDC 2023 Operating Budget
- b) 2023 Property Management Agreement Between GHI and GDC

GHI Open Meeting -starts after GDC Open Meeting adjourns – open to visitors and members

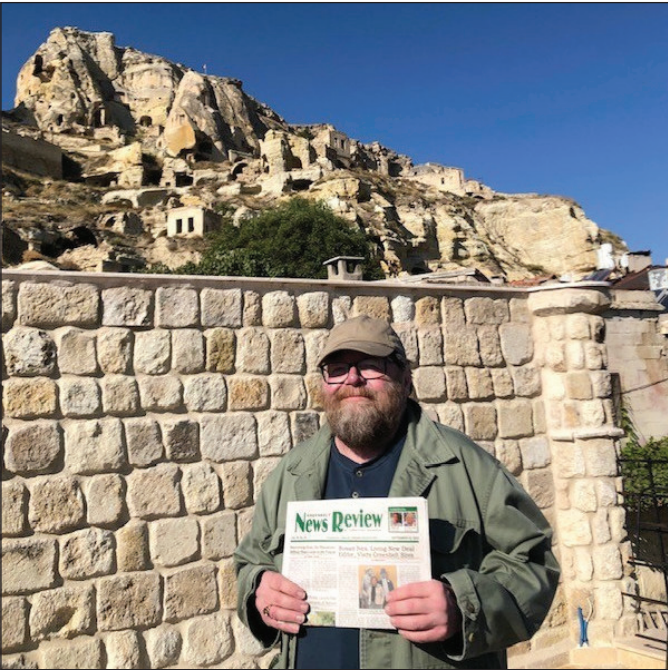
- a) Statement of a Formal Hearing Held in a Closed Meeting on October 27, 2022
- b) Statement of a Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors Held on November 17, 2022
- c) Approve Minutes of the Open Meeting Held on October 6, 2022
- d) Consider Adoption of the 2023 GHI Operating Budget - 2nd reading
- e) Charge for the Transition and Search Committee
- f) Proposed Acquisition of a New Vehicle for the Maintenance Department
- g) Review Status of the Long-range Planning and Member Outreach Committees
- h) Motion to Hold a Closed Meeting on December 1, 2022

Members and visitors who wish to attend the Open meetings must register in advance via the following link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlfuCqzqliEtKpTlzlXWAVOMfte_Gzuuy

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Travels with News Review



David Lockwood took the News Review along on his recent visit to Gudrup, Cappadocia, Turkey.



Celebrating the News Review in an Inverness pub on a trip to Scotland in October, are Tom Baker (right) and new friends.



Betty and Bob Sonneveldt, who always take the News Review on their travels, went hiking in Acadia National Park in Maine.

City Manager Updates Council On Status of City Departments

by Matthew Arbach

Interim City Manager Timothy George presented an update to the Greenbelt City Council on October 26 on the status of the city’s departments as well as on the progress of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) projects and fund usage.

Kevin Simpson, the city’s new Economic Development manager, has been hard at work sustaining outreach to the city’s business community and the Greenbelt Business Alliance, to stimulate their continuing recovery and resilience.

Public Information Office

The Public Information Office (PIO), with the Department of Public Works and IT Department, have installed a new multiple television and internet system in the Municipal Building, now allowing split feeds at sessions. PIO has also completed a Communication Standard Guide that will consolidate all city documents with a single font and format. A teleprompter has been acquired, to be used mostly for video spots. The city website now has a more efficacious link to the evolving use of ARPA funds. PIO is now the central hub for all media both ingoing and outgoing.

Finance and IT

The U.S. Department of the Treasury has disbanded their service program, so the state has employed Hagerty Consulting to advise on all ARPA-related inquiries. City Treasurer Bertha Gaymon meets with them regularly and provides quarterly filings on all ARPA usage. The city Finance Department is moving to an all-digital record-keeping system with digital time cards on the way.

The IT Department conducted a network assessment, revealing four to five minor glitches, none of which were deemed a system threat. Security cameras have been ordered for the Municipal Building, Community Center and Springhill Lake Recreation Center.

Planning

Regarding the Planning Department, three solar lights have been installed at bus shelters. A ribbon cutting is expected in two to three weeks at Buddy Attick Park, after a final assessment of the parking lot grading.

The WMATA trail has experienced delays as state and county regulations conflict, along with having to adhere to the strict requirements of the project’s Transportation Alternative Program grant. If the FBI headquarters were to ultimately come to Greenbelt, 75 percent of the trail would have to be scrapped, causing staff to question the wisdom of making any significant strides forward. Yet, George said that the

city is continuing to proceed on the trail nonetheless.

ARPA Programs

The city is aiming to work in conjunction with CCI Health Services in the implementation of the city’s ARPA healthcare voucher program. Greenbelt will work with the county’s Department of Housing and Community Development on the city’s ARPA down payment program.

George said that there are now 58 ARPA projects planned, with 20-25 underway. Requests for proposals must have language in line with ARPA regulations.

Police and Public Works

The Greenbelt Police Department has finished its latest CALEA assessment, with no violations expected. Four new officers have been sworn in. Two-hour parking signs will be installed next week at the Dog Park. The new Crisis Intervention Team is working closely with Greenbelt CARES to provide effective follow-up on all cases where they are deployed.

Public Works has done a massive job of cleaning up after the big July storm. Tree planting has begun. Speed bumps are being placed throughout the city, with speed studies planned to determine problem areas. Former employees have been contracted on projects. George said that having incentive clauses in contracts would be much more attractive than penalties and that contractors are aware of the 2024 deadline for ARPA.

Recreation

The Recreation Department has seen a return to pre-Covid levels at the Aquatic & Fitness Center. George approved a Greenbelt Kids program, which provides workforce training to teens and young adults. In the spring, crack remediation is planned at the outdoor pickleball courts, with four indoor courts planned at the Community Center and Youth Center.

CARES

In terms of CARES, two successful job fairs have been held with healthy turnouts. Rental and mortgage assistance continues

to proceed, with the backlog now remedied. Currently \$1.75M has been set aside, with another \$1.5M of ARPA funds to be allocated; \$451,000 has been spent on this assistance so far. Flu and Covid clinics have occurred.

The Greenbelt Museum is active, with an increase in walking tours.

Evictions

Evictions at Franklin Park was a major topic of debate. George said they have had a 3-4 percent eviction rate, with a great deal having nothing to do with rent, but instead with code violations. Most eviction filings for past rent are remitted, as rent is eventually paid. George said that management much prefers working out an arrangement over an eviction, as this is better than trying to find another tenant.

Councilmember Ric Gordon laid out the unfortunate reality that even with resources available and utilized, “some still fall through the cracks.” Mayor Emmett Jordan reminded council that the city’s funds are specifically for Covid-related hardship, yet stating that the city tries “to help as many as we can,” citing a “legacy of compassion” in Greenbelt since 1937. Councilmember Judith Davis said that there is a percentage of residents that seek to abuse the system, that “there is a limit to compassion” in such cases.

Open Positions

Open staff positions include: a diversity, equity and inclusion coordinator; IT specialist; two city planners; horticulture specialist and a deputy chief for the Police Department. Attracting and retaining experienced staff is a priority, as the city is exploring how to enhance compensation and provide incentives.

There are 11 pending retirements, with a transition effort underway to train replacements.

Space for staff is a persistent problem, compounded by the influx of new staff.

George ended the meeting by proposing a quarterly finance briefing to council by Gaymon moving forward.



Geraldine Adams (presenter on the right) leads a class on Food for Life sponsored by CHEARS at the Schrom Hills Recreation Center.



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“We are standing in a historically underutilized business zone right now,” said Alsobrooks. “The two sites in Prince George’s County remain the best option for a new FBI headquarters,” Alsobrooks asserted, referring to the potential Landover and Greenbelt sites. “Our sites have the added benefit of helping to rebalance federal jobs across the national capital region – a major, measurable way to promote equity, consistent with the President’s executive order and the goals of the federal agency themselves. That’s why we were surprised when on September 23, the GSA, after 10 years, announced their updated selection criteria for the new headquarters where advancing equity was ranked only fourth out of GSAs’ five criteria and an additional measure that weighs site proximity to Quantico Marine Corps Base was suddenly added and is now the number one criterion. This is an abrupt change that clearly favors Springfield and puts our county at a disadvantage.”

“Decisions like this one have major generational consequences,” argued Alsobrooks, pointing to the investments in Virginia following the decision to locate the Pentagon on the Virginia side of the Potomac, and economic investments and benefits in Montgomery County after the decision to locate the National Institutes of Health there. Median incomes are 48 percent lower in Prince George’s County than Fairfax County (where the Springfield site is located), Alsobrooks noted, and out of the largest 150 counties in the country, which include both Fairfax and Prince George’s, Fairfax ranks second in income and wealth growth while Prince George’s County ranks 142nd.

Maryland was set to win the game until the goalposts were moved, argued Mfume. Baltimore stands behind Prince George’s County as the best location for the FBI, he said. “Adding that Quantico piece, clearly there is somebody who wanted to weight this and change the goalposts in order to try to push things in that direction,” said Van Hollen. “Well, let me just say this,” he continued, “I know Prince George’s County is the best site on the old playing field and on the new playing field. I don’t care where the goalposts are, Prince George’s County is the best county for the FBI’s mission.”

Inequalities

Van Hollen made a compelling argument that considering proximity to other federal sites can only perpetuate historical inequities. “When you use that kind of factor all you’re doing is

reinforcing all the earlier inequalities,” he argued. “When you say it’s got to be located next to Quantico or next to one of the other FBI agencies in Northern Virginia all you’re doing is saying all those past decisions that were weighted to Fairfax and help make Fairfax a county with much greater individual wealth than Prince George’s County, that we’re going to look at all those factors and say okay we’re going to keep reinforcing that inequity, so that’s why this is such a big deal,” explained Van Hollen.

Build-Ready

Other considerations that make Greenbelt the best choice, according to the speakers on Friday, are that the site is build-ready, rather than requiring demolition, and no other site has a similar proximity to a Metro station. Hoyer shared photographs of the Springfield site after the press conference. “Looks expensive,” commented Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan. In fact, relocation of federal agencies currently occupying the site would need to occur before the FBI facility could be developed.

Speaking to the Greenbelt News Review after the conference Jordan said he had been shocked by the GSA’s changes to their criteria. “It’s outrageous,” he said. “I’ll say it again, we have the capacity. We can accommodate from here,” said Jordan, pointing out that they are currently using the area by the metro station that would be the site of the headquarters as a construction staging ground; it’s the same area that was used as a mass vaccination site during the pandemic.

Benefit to Greenbelt

Jordan believes the headquarters would be a benefit to Greenbelt and that associated businesses would fill office spaces and bring revenue. He acknowledged that there wouldn’t be a tax benefit to bringing a federal agency, but he believes it will

bring jobs to Greenbelt. “If they don’t come here, something else will be here,” he asserted.

The press conference on Friday was arranged on short notice, likely to show the strength and solidarity of the State of Maryland, and Prince George’s County in particular, ahead of the GSA’s decision, which is expected to come soon.

From left, Prince George's County Councilmember Mel Franklin, Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan, Greenbelt City Councilmember Ric Gordon and U.S. Congressman Steny Hoyer



Congressman Steny Hoyer, left, shows Greenbelt Mayor Emmett Jordan photos of the proposed Springfield site with U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen. "Looks expensive," commented Jordan.

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Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks speaks at the Greenbelt Metro Station on Friday, November 4.



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Police Blotter

Incidents reported here occurred from October 31 to November 6. Readers are encouraged to contact the police if they have information that may aid in an inquiry. Call the non-emergency number 301-474-7200 or email pd@greenbeltmd.gov. Note that the times provided are when the incidents were reported.

Arrests

On November 4 at 1:26 p.m. near 6000 Breezewood Drive, officers observed a man known to have a warrant through the Prince George’s County Sheriff’s Dept. for threats of mass violence within Greenbelt. The man and another man he was with were detained, and large amounts of illegal substances were located. Both men were arrested and taken to Upper Marlboro Department of Corrections.

On November 5 at 2:55 a.m. near 7800 Mandan Road, a man was arrested for possession of illegal substances after officers located him asleep in the driver’s seat of a car.

Break Ins

On November 4 at 6:51 a.m. near 9200 Springhill Lane, an office was broken into, and the check drop box was damaged.

On November 4 at 11:40 a.m. near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, a man entered a business without permission after it was closed and made coffee, watched TV and ate the office snacks. There were no signs of forced entry.

DUI Arrests

On November 5 at 4:48 p.m. near 6000 Greenbelt Road, and November 6 at 3:07 a.m. near Greenbelt Road and 63rd Avenue.

Dispute

On November 4 at 10:39 p.m. near 7900 Good Luck Road, during an argument between a customer and an employee, the employee reportedly grabbed the customer by the arm and escorted the person out of the building; both parties were advised of options.

Found

On October 31 at 2:35 p.m. near 7900 Mandan Road, located stolen vehicle from Prince George’s County.

Fraud

On November 2 near 400 Ridge Road, leasing application fraud.

Missing Person

On November 2 at 1:19 p.m.

near 5900 Cherrywood Lane, Hana Desiree Garrett (DOB: August 2006) was reported missing. Last seen on October 29; critical factor is age.

Theft and Shoplifting

On November 1 near 7500 Greenway Center Drive, personal property was stolen from an unattended bag. On November 5 at 12:43 a.m. near 7500 Greenbelt Road, an attempted commercial theft; the suspects were banned from the property.

Commercial thefts occurred November 2 at 11:27 a.m. and November 3 at 1:27 p.m., 6100 Greenbelt Road; November 5, 12:36 p.m., 7600 Greenbelt Road; and November 5, 2:27 p.m., 100 Centerway.

Vehicle Crimes

Theft from Auto, Vandalism

Catalytic converters were stolen October 31 near 5300 South Center Drive from a 2008 Toyota Prius, and November 2 near 7500 Greenway Center Drive from a 2014 Ford E350.

Disability placards were stolen November 2 near 9100 Springhill Lane and near 9100 Edmonston Terrace.

Personal property was stolen from cars after windows were broken on October 31 near 5800 Cherrywood Lane, and November 2 near 5900 Springhill Drive. Property was taken with no sign of forced entry on October 31 near 5800 Cherrywood Lane and November 3 near 9000 Breezewood Terrace.

On October 31 near 7800 Walker Drive, all four tires and rims were stolen from a 2016 Lexus 4S. On November 1 near 9100 Springhill Lane, a car was intentionally scratched. On November 1 near 9100 Edmonston Road, a window was broken; nothing taken. On November 4 near 200 Lakeside Drive, a car’s steering column and passenger-side sideview mirror were damaged. On November 5 near 5500 Cherrywood Lane, a rear license plate was stolen.

Police Arrest Youth With Ghost Gun



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Police seized weapons and ammunition.

Greenbelt Police officers arrested a 16-year-old male after a “ghost gun” was located during a traffic stop.

On November 2, at approximately 12:24 p.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at Greenbelt Road and Cherrywood Lane. Officers found a 9-mm Polymer80 handgun, commonly referred to as a ghost gun, with an extended magazine and 22 rounds of ammunition in the vehicle.

The 16-year-old, of Landover, was arrested and charged with various handgun offenses.

Donate Sneakers For People in Need

Greenbelt Community Church, United Church of Christ (GCC) is collecting athletic shoes by partnering with GotSneakers. This sneaker recycling program helps to keep sneakers out of landfills, where they have harmful effects on the environment.

A donation box is located outside the Fellowship Center (the small building behind the church) for people to drop off sneakers at any time.

GCDC to Hold Annual Meeting November 13

The Greenbelt Community Development Corporation (GCDC) will hold its annual meeting (the first since the pandemic) on Sunday, November 13 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Community Center, Room 114. Kim Kash of the Greenbelt Business Alliance will give a presentation on this newly formed organization and talk about its mission. New members are welcome.

County Teen Curfew Yields Mixed Reactions and Results

by Cooper Fojas

On October 11, Prince George’s County Executive Angela Alsobrooks extended the juvenile curfew for Prince George’s County that had been in effect since September 9 until at least the end of the year. Its 30-day trial generated reductions in crime during curfew hours, claimed county officials. The curfew runs from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sundays to Thursdays and midnight to 5 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and applies to youths under 17.

Despite Alsobrooks’ assertions that the countywide teen curfew has yielded positive results, one might not have noticed the impact in Greenbelt.

Uncertainty in Greenbelt about the enforcement and effectiveness of the curfew reflects sentiments shared across the county, with parents, teens and nonprofit leaders at odds over what changes the constraint can really produce.

“Legally, curfews are a very tricky topic,” said Greenbelt Police Chief Rick Bowers in a city council meeting on October 11. “They can have value but they’re difficult to enforce.”

In fact, under section 5 of the Greenbelt Police Department General Order 316: Legally Mandated Authority, Greenbelt officers are tasked with enforcing “the applicable laws of: 1. The City of Greenbelt; 2. The State of Maryland; and 3. The United States of America” but not those of the county.

It seems the only way for a curfew to have an impact locally is for it to be widely enforced by the county or to have it adopted into law by the city. How-

ever, according to Bowers, while there is precedent for a curfew in Greenbelt, that precedent highlights how big a mountain such legislation would have to climb. “There was an effort at some point within the city, sometime in the ’80s or ’90s, to actually have a curfew and it didn’t get very far,” Bowers said. “I’m not an attorney and I know there were lawsuits.”

So far, the number of violations reported across Prince George’s County is still in the single digits. Violators thus far have only received first-offense warnings and were escorted home by police. After that first written warning the penalties for subsequent violations range from \$50 to \$250.

However, one of the main gripes people have with the curfew is the lack of conclusive data to back up the picture of success painted by the county executive’s office.

Specific details of the curfew violations are sparse, with important facts like location, age and time being left out of reports since no arrests have been made.

Data provided by the Prince George’s County Police Department shows a recent decrease in murders during curfew hours but an uptick in stolen vehicles. Even so, while crimes during curfew hours have generally decreased, overall numbers are actually up 2 percent from this time last year, according to the department.

Cooper Fojas is a University of Maryland journalism student writing for the News Review.



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Dinner

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7:00 - 8:00 PM
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Greenbelt Resident Cathy Jones Wins Fulbright Teaching Award

by Dorrie Bates

Greenbelt resident Dr. Catherine (Cathy) Jones has received a Fulbright Distinguished Teaching Award and will be travelling to Lima, Peru, as part of the Fulbright Teacher Exchange project. Jones will be working with Peruvian teachers to improve student achievement in mathematics and implement the math curriculum presented in the International Baccalaureate (IB) Program.

Jones will spend five weeks in Lima later this year, meeting with teachers to help them figure out ways to improve student performance in math. She expects that many of the educators participating work in highly selective high schools that emphasize academic achievement. Some of the schools may already offer the IB curriculum.

Jones currently teaches mathematics and IB Theory of Knowledge at Frederick Douglass High School in Upper Marlboro but has worked within the Prince



Cathy Jones, PhD

George’s County Public School system for 15 years, including six years as the IB Program coordinator at Central High School.

The IB program grew out of an educational curriculum developed in Switzerland in the 1960s. IB programs, which can be offered in a variety of school settings, foster interdisciplinary thinking, curiosity and a healthy appetite for learning. In the high school years, IB students remain

in their academic cohort, working collaboratively with teacher guidance as they enhance their ability to solve complex problems. IB diplomas are recognized throughout the world.

Jones is among 20 U.S. citizens who will travel throughout the world as part of the 2022 Fulbright Distinguished Awards in Teaching Short Term Program. Since 1946, the Fulbright Program has provided participants the opportunity to study, conduct research exchange ideas and contribute to finding solutions to shared international concerns.

In addition to her professional activities, Jones is an active member of the Greenbelt community. Jones is the daughter of Virginia and Bill Jones, also of Greenbelt. She chairs the board of the Old Greenbelt Theatre and visits the Farmers Market regularly. An avid knitter and weaver, she is looking forward to learning about Peruvian textile traditions.

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Editor’s Physician Daughter Wins Prestigious Award

Margaret Williamson, M.D., an infectious disease physician at Emory Saint Joseph’s Hospital in Atlanta, Ga., is the 2020 recipient of the E. Napier “Buck” Burson, Jr., M.D., Physician Award of Distinction. The award is the highest honor for physician service at the hospital and its award was delayed to this year due to the pandemic.

In appreciation of the award, Margaret, who grew up in Greenbelt, spoke of her emerging interest in science: talking math and science with her Goddard engineer dad. On graduating from Mary Bethune Junior High School as an eighth grader, she received awards in both math and science before moving to Eleanor Roosevelt High School’s Science and Technology Program.



Margaret Williamson, M.D.

Margaret delivered the News Review and later worked the ad desk to earn the 100 hours of community service required for high school graduation.

The Burson Award, named for the former chief of staff at Saint Joseph’s and a leader in the field of gastroenterology, is presented annually to doctors for their adherence to the philosophy and contribution to the hospital’s mission, for their contribution to the quality of medicine practiced at Emory Saint Joseph’s and for their leadership role as a member

of the medical staff. This was the 31st year for the Burson Award and it was presented to Williamson earlier this month.

“As an infectious disease physician, Dr. Williamson played an important role in caring for our patients throughout the pandemic as well as during her years of service at the hospital,” said Heather Dexter, CEO of Emory Saint Joseph’s. “We recognize her with the Burson Award for those excellent contributions to medicine and for being a model for the compassion and care we strive to provide our patients and community.”

Williamson received her medical degree from the Emory University School of Medicine and had an internal medicine residency and infectious diseases fellowship at Emory. She began practicing at Saint Joseph’s Hospital in 2004 after joining Georgia Infectious Diseases, a private physician practice.

Dr. Williamson is the daughter of Mary Lou Williamson and the late James Williamson. She is married to Jose Navarrete, M.D. They have three sons.

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ERHS Lunch Tent Dilemma

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School PTSA needs to urgently sell or find storage for two large (20'x40') commercial grade outdoor tents. They have been using them during the pandemic to offer students an alternative place to eat lunch. Now the county is requesting they be removed by November 14.

If you are interested in purchasing the tents at a discounted rate or are able to help with temporary storage please contact PTSA President Vanessa van der Have at erhsptsaweb@gmail.com.



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The tents are currently set up in front of the main entrance to the school.

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Reynolds described preparing and providing meals and beverages for firefighters out on box alarms – large fires requiring the efforts of several fire departments.

“Being in the kitchen and creating and knowing that it’s going to make someone happy or put a smile on their face,” Reynolds said, is the favorite part of her work.

Bowers said Gignac likely saved an infant’s life when she dispatched officers to respond to a fire call for service reporting that the infant was not breathing. Though it was not a police call, Greenbelt officers arrived before the Fire Department and began life-saving aid.

“If not for her quick thinking that night in sending officers, that child may not have survived,” Bowers said.

According to Bowers, Aud participates in activities with Greenbelt residents, playing basketball and baseball with youth at Franklin Park as well as “doing the part that we all get involved in law enforcement for, which

is to protect residents and really make our streets and our city safer.”

Allen, 52, of Bowie, said there was no question whether he would continue to drive the Greenbelt Connection bus during the Covid-19 pandemic.

“There were people that were very fearful that I was allowed to comfort all the way through, and just allow them to know it was going to be alright,” Allen said.

Public Works Director Willis Shafer said Allen took people to stores and doctor’s appointments – even chemotherapy treatments – and that he answers the phone saying, “Good morning. Today is a great day.”

Allen said he provides people with human connection.

“Everybody doesn’t have somebody. Just to be that person ... you can make them feel like they do. Because they do,” Allen said.

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Greenbelt Votes

Greenbelters headed to the polls on Tuesday, November 8. Outside the Community Center campaigners were in place for what is likely the most contested local race – the school board. Maryland Senator Paul Pinsky greeted voters and shared campaign materials and his endorse-

ment of Jenni Pompei. Meanwhile Jonathan Briggs made his own appeal to voters a few feet away. All went smoothly at the Community Center. However, the voting site at Eleanor Roosevelt High School opened almost an hour late due to technical problems with hardware.



Maggie Cahalan, Greenbelt Outstanding Citizen of 2022, talks with Maryland State Senator Paul Pinsky.



Jonathan Briggs poses with campaign workers.

- Photos by Anna Bedford-Dillow

Citizen Writer Class Is a Hit: Stand by for Story Tsunami

by Cathie Meetre

All the yellow folders had a person in front of them – but participants kept coming. On Saturday, November 5, the News Review held its first-for-a-long-time-and-maybe-ever-since-the-dawn-of-time writing class for Citizen Writers. Thirteen enthusiasts showed up for the 90-minute session, ranging from residents of 40-plus years standing to those of only a few months.

Optimistically, the newspaper expected six. To more than double that was a rejoicing.

Who Said Print Is Dead?

Motives for coming were varied. Some had retired and were looking for something meaningful to do (this newspaper’s got it, for sure). Another, new to the city, wanted to explain how moving here from the Carolinas felt and how different it was in perhaps a series of perspective stories.

Others were inspired to report on their own part of the city better – feeling that the newspaper covers Greenbelts East and West less thoroughly (admittedly the case) – and the newspaper will be delighted to have help filling the gap. Some had jobs where writing was intrinsic and miss doing it; others had barely picked up a pen (metaphorically speaking, of course, given we use computers) in decades.

Participation No Problem

As students go, it was a grand bunch. Great observations, interesting sidelights and a willingness to chime in. One had donated one of the News Review’s an-



The News Review office is busy as enthusiastic participants gather for the citizen writer class on November 5.

tique typewriters – she’d written her high school essays on it, so this was a homecoming of sorts.

They cheerfully picked apart lead paragraphs, critiqued heads and tussled with story ideas. With any luck, this week will see the first stories of the Class of 2022 in the newspaper. (Maybe the editor will permit a special golden tassel for their bylines?)

Next Up

How about a writing workshop? Imagine: attendees could come with a story in mind and partly sketched out and work on it in tandem with others. Each story would be examined for coherence, energy, organization, word selection, sentence and paragraph divisions and reader appeal. And maybe a couple of issues of the newspaper could feature them.

Gentle readers and would-be writers are encouraged to contact the newspaper and say what they’d like.

Where the Glamor Ends

Perhaps journalism is glamorous, though Greenbelt hardly qualifies as the front line or the glitterati. But the business side of running the newspaper – much less colorful – remains crucial to having a newspaper at all. The News Review needs help with handling incoming email and working with advertisers, and could really use the occasional services of an accountant familiar with small business books and accounting. Most of our business helpers also write stories.

In the News Review, we’ve got lots of available hats but only the newspaper is full of heads.

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Sports

Greenbelt's Pee Wees Finish Fall Season with Record Wins

by Anna Bedford-Dillow, Richelle Barber and Luke Winternitz



PHOTO BY ANNA BEDFORD-DILLOW

One of the Greenbelt Minor League Youth Baseball Teams poses with coaches Errol Mazursky, center, and Luke Winternitz, right, after the final game of the season.

Last week, under floodlights on a chilly evening, the Greenbelt Youth Baseball minors wrapped up their last games of the fall. The minor league of 8- to-11-year-olds began after Labor Day and practiced twice a week before splitting into two teams. The teams then practiced weekly and played one or two games each week against area leagues, including teams from Laurel, Burtonsville and, sometimes, each other.

On Thursday, November 3, Coach Errol Mazursky's Pee Wee team finished up their season at Turney Field in Laurel. Coach Mazursky noted to the team that they had ended the season on the same field where they had begun it with their first game in September. In between, each of the players had worked hard and improved, said Mazursky. "We had a great group of enthusiastic players, coaches and parents helping and cheering," said Assistant Coach Luke Winternitz. "All made progress developing their baseball skills and had a lot of fun." Overall, the Mazursky/Winternitz team played about a dozen games, winning or tying almost all. One of the most exciting was a dramatic 8-8 tie between the two Greenbelt teams.

The other Greenbelt team, which called themselves the Greenbelt Goblins, played a total of eight games. They originally

also had 12 on their schedule but four were rained out. Even with those rainouts, they were still able to play the Laurel and Burtonsville teams along with the Greenbelt Pee Wees. The Greenbelt Goblins consisted of 12 players, ranging in age from 8 to 10 years old. About half of the team had played Greenbelt Little League for at least three seasons, with the other half of the team being brand new to baseball and organized/team sports. "It was great to have six of the 12 players get a chance to pitch in games," said Coach Krishna Jani. "The kids seemed to enjoy playing together," Jani added.

This was Coach Krishna and Coach Vivek's second season coaching together; both previously coached machine pitch for Greenbelt. The Greenbelt Goblins finished the season with a record of seven wins, no losses and one tie (with Greenbelt).

The coaches and players are looking forward to more baseball in the spring.

Greenbelt Youth Baseball is a nonprofit organization that provides a safe and supportive opportunity for youth in and around Greenbelt to develop baseball and life skills. Their website can be found at gyblittleleague.org. Greenbelt Youth Baseball has been a part of Greenbelt since 1951.



PHOTO BY REBECCA RAPAPORT

The Greenbelt Goblins with Coach Krishna, left, and Coach Vivek, right

Soccer Team's Strong Season Ends with Disappointing Loss

by Patrick Gleason

In time, the tears that concluded the Eleanor Roosevelt High School girls soccer season will turn from those of sadness to gratitude. After winning the league and county championships for the first time since 2019, the Raiders had much to celebrate this fall. Led by a senior captain triumvirate of Mia Hamilton, Azinwi McKinney and Sarai DeSouza, the Raiders finished 11-3, improving upon last season's 9-4-1 record. Although the Raiders fell in a tense 1-0 regional championship matchup against the Bowie Bulldogs, the regular season Roosevelt victory over Bowie remains a season highlight.

While the Raiders blitzed Bowie early en route to a 3-0 victory in their first meeting, early missed chances in the playoff matchup heightened the game's already palpable intensity. Moreover, DeSouza – the Raiders' leading scorer – could not play after falling sick earlier in the week. Sisters Julia and Alena Beckmann both nearly scored in the opening half for the Raiders while Hamilton thwarted Bowie's few first-half chances. In the second half, Roosevelt continued to control possession, yet the

Bulldogs orchestrated a dangerous counterattack that resulted in what would be the game's only goal. Sophomore Jada Savage continued to apply offensive pressure for the Raiders, searching for an equalizer that would never come, though they threatened until the final whistle.

Although Roosevelt hoped to add a third trophy to their haul this fall, the season's progress and shortcomings offer hope and motivation for next season. While eight seniors will graduate from the program, Roosevelt will retain a strong core of young players. The starting defense this season includes three juniors – Victoria Obisesan, Angel Ngwane and Kaia Booker – and freshman Autumn Freeman, while sophomore Sadie Swart joins Savage in a dynamic center midfield. Classmate Gabriella Martinez started every game at forward for the Raiders and freshmen Claudia van der Have and Esther Obisesan also earned important minutes throughout the season. With a strong example set by the graduating seniors, the Raiders can now appreciate all they accomplished as they prepare to achieve even more next autumn.



PHOTO BY VANESSA VAN DER HAVE

ERHS girls soccer team, from left - back row, Inonge Kaloustian, Alena Beckmann, Victoria Obisesan, Sala Davis, Claudia van der Have, Larissa Olson, Esther Obisesan, Autumn Freeman, Keegan Robertson, Zania Thomas, Kamilla Yokley, Kaia Booker and Patrick Gleason; middle row, Dursha Ragunathan, Ana Umanzor, Sofia Zuniga and Gabriella Martinez; bottom row, Jada Savage, Leia Barton, Angel Ngwane, Sadie Swart, Julia Beckmann, Mia Hamilton, Sarai DeSouza, Azinwi McKinney, Grace Zack and Alexis Casey

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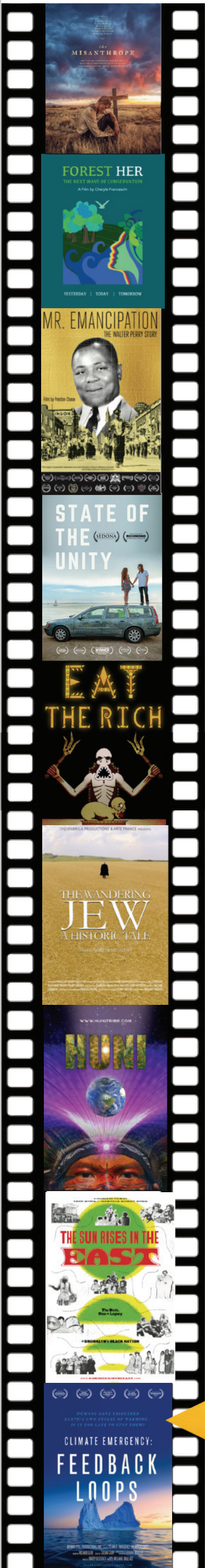
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